

REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on October 18, 2004. Claims 1-31 were pending in the application and the Examiner indicated that claims 11-13 contained allowable subject matter. With this amendment, the subject matter of claim 11 has been incorporated into claim 1 along with substantially all of the subject matter of the intervening claims and the intervening claims have been canceled. The dependency of claims 5, 6, 12 and 13 have been amended accordingly, and claims 14-31 have been canceled. Therefore, Applicant submits that the present case is in condition for allowance. An indication of allowance with respect to claims 1, 5, 6, 12 and 13 is respectfully requested.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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